

## ARTICLE LIV.

**Land Office.**

The act of 1870, c. 215 entitled, an act to appropriate a sum of money for transcribing, indexing, re-binding records, preserving papers, and for preparing a digest of the laws and rules of the land office, enacts:

1. That the sum of four thousand dollars be appropriated for the purpose of transcribing, re-binding, indexing records, preserving papers in the chancery and land office, as required for their preservation, transcribing, re-binding and indexing.

2. That the commissioner of the land office shall be authorized and empowered to select some competent person to make an abstract of the different decisions that were made since the creation of the office up to the present time.

3. That the person selected by the commissioner, after making an abstract of all decisions with reference to the land office, shall prepare rules in accordance therewith, which, upon being submitted to, examined and approved by the chief judge of the court of appeals, shall be the law and rules for the government of the land office.

4. That the abstract, with the rules attached, be placed in the land office, and shall be the law and rules for the guidance of the commissioner of the land office and his successors until altered, amended or repealed.

5. That the commissioner of the land office, upon the completion and approval of the abstract of the decisions and rules of the land office, shall be authorized to pay to the person whom he may have selected, the sum of five hundred dollars, out of the sum hereby appropriated, and that the balance, or so much as may be required, shall be paid for the binding, transcribing, indexing and preserving such records as the commissioner may, in his judgment, deem necessary for their preservation, to be re-bound, indexed and transcribed.

Approved and in force April 4, 1870.

## ARTICLE LV.

**Librarian—State.**

7. Disposition of surplus books.

17. Committee to prepare catalogue: may sell books: may purchase books.

18 Committee to establish rules for library vacancy.

1870, c. 272 repeals and re-enacts sections 7, 17 and 18, to read as follows:

1870, c. 272.

Disposition of surplus books.

SEC. 7. The remaining copies of the laws, journals and documents shall be subject to the disposition of the committee appointed by the seventeenth section.